

Piyo language

Piyo (Biyo, Biyue; *pi ʋjɔ ʋ* (Jing 2015:11)) is a Loloish language of China. The people are ethnic Hani, and the "Bi-Ka" varieties (Biyo, Kaduo, Enu) are traditionally considered dialects of Hani. However, in the classifications of Bradley (2007) and Lama (2012), they are more distinct from Hani than other related languages are. Lama classifies Mpi as closer to Biyo dialect than Kaduo is.

In Mojiang County, the Upper Biyo (*a ʋtʰə ʋ pi ʋjɔ ʋ*) and Lower Biyo (*a ʋvə ʋ pi ʋjɔ ʋ*) varieties are mutually intelligible (Jing 2015:11).

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Piyo	
Native to	China, Laos
Ethnicity	Hani
Native speakers	120,000 (1997) ^[1]
Language family	<div>Sino-Tibetan<ul style="list-style-type: none">(Tibeto-Burman)<ul style="list-style-type: none">Lolo–Burmese<ul style="list-style-type: none">Loloish<ul style="list-style-type: none">Southern<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bi-Ka<ul style="list-style-type: none">Piyo</div>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	byo
Glottolog	biyo1243 (http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/biyo1243) ^[2]

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